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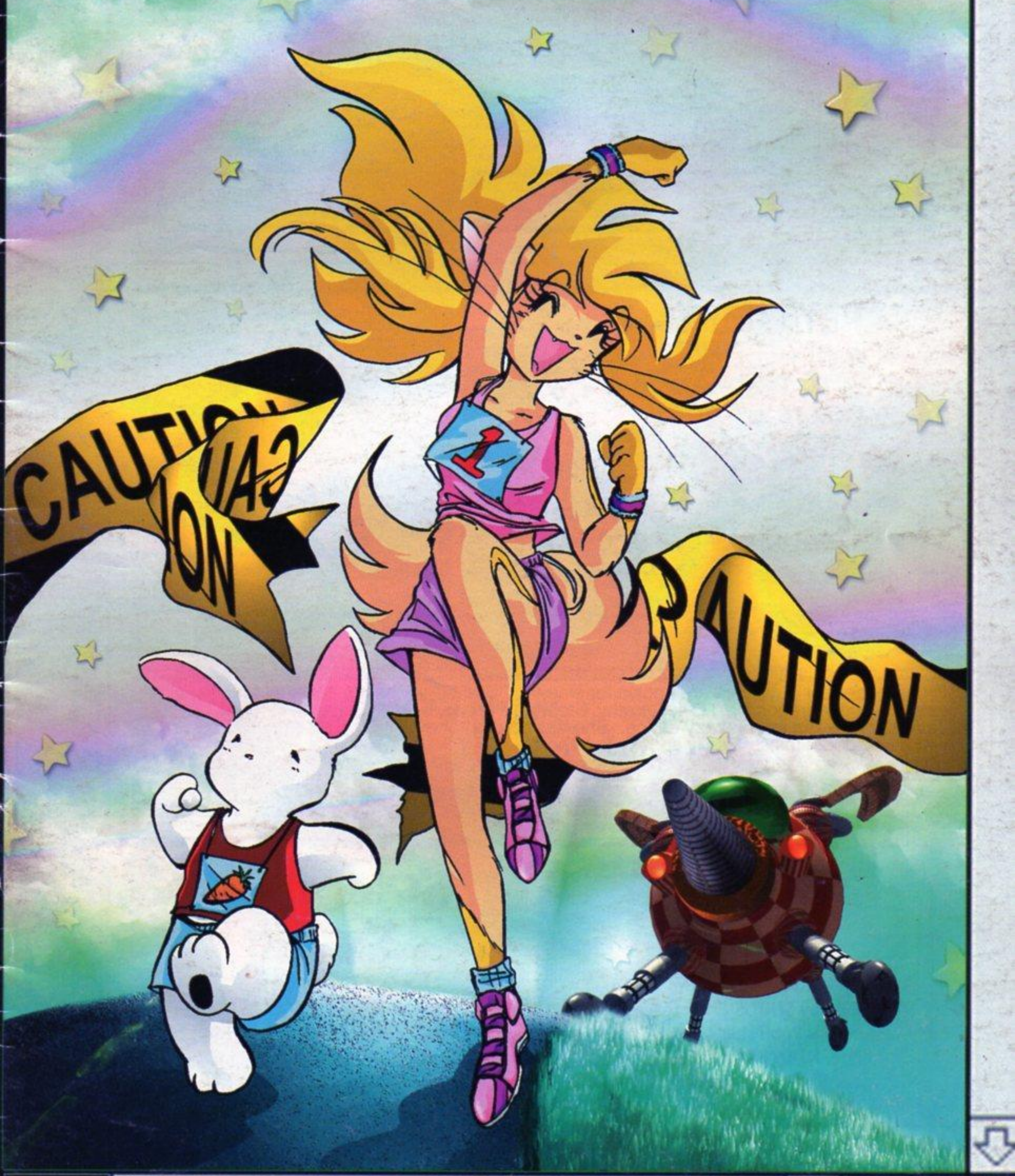

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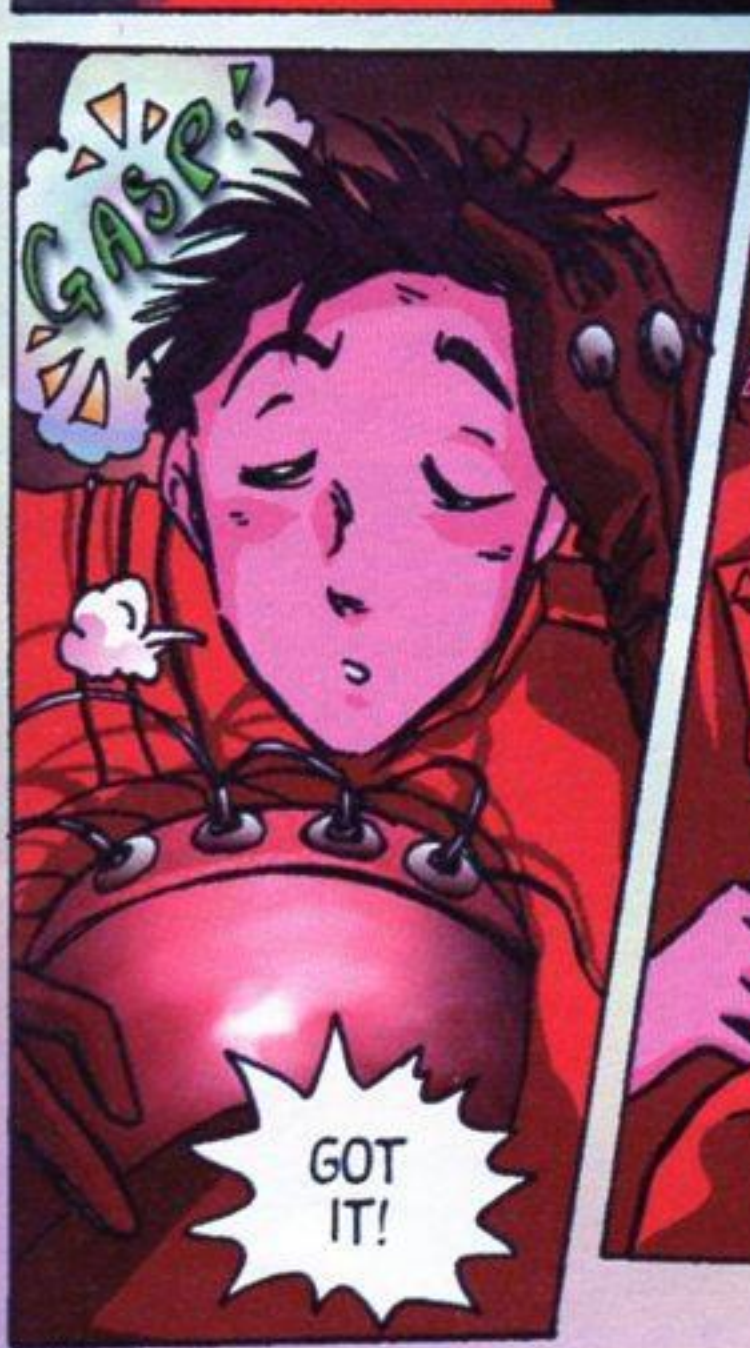

I RECORDED MY PERSONALITY INTO HIM! NOW NIBBLE PANIC II WILL BE A THOUSAND TIMES BETTER THAN THE FIRST GAME!

GLOAT

OH, NO...

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU DID THAT! YOU KNOW THAT SORT OF THING NEVER WORKS! GREAT, MR. EGO MANIAC! NOW YOU'VE SET US BACK ANOTHER DAY. I'M GOING HOME. I'LL WORK ON THE PATCHES ON MONDAY.

BUT... BUT...

HMMM... OKAY HE SAVED KIND OF LARGE... FIVE TERA-BYTES IS A LITTLE BIG FOR A SINGLE CHARACTER... HE HASN'T MOVED YET...

DEMI! WAIT! REMEMBER, YOU'RE MY RIDE HOME!

I'M SORRY, DEMI! REALLY! I CAN STILL DO THE PATCHES...

Moop.

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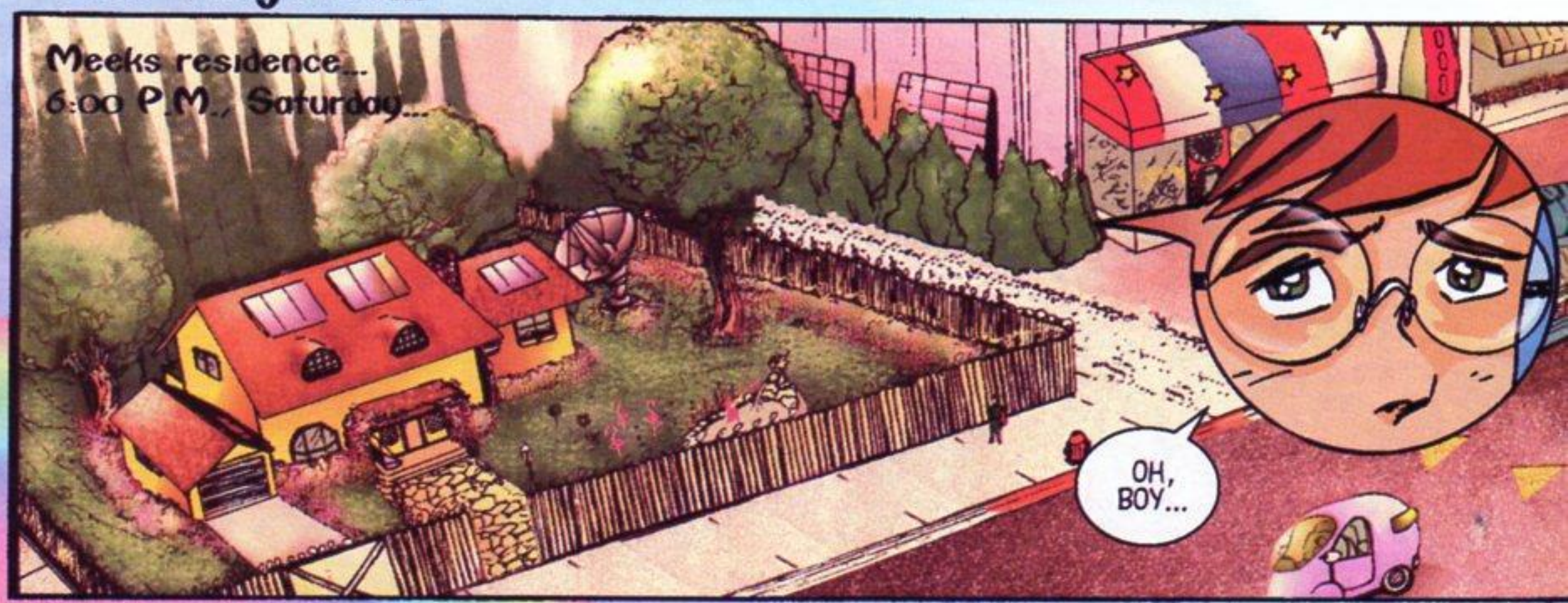
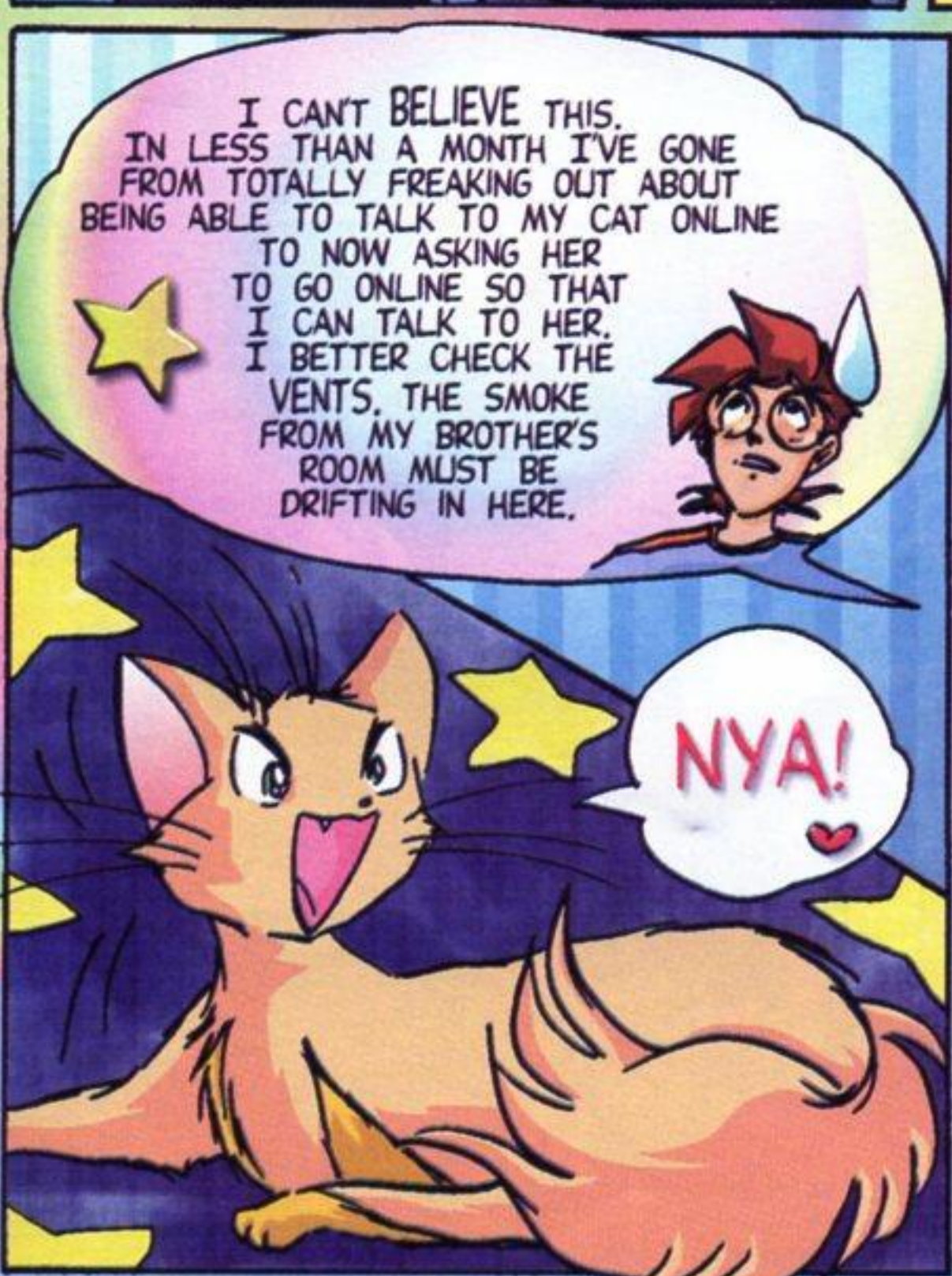
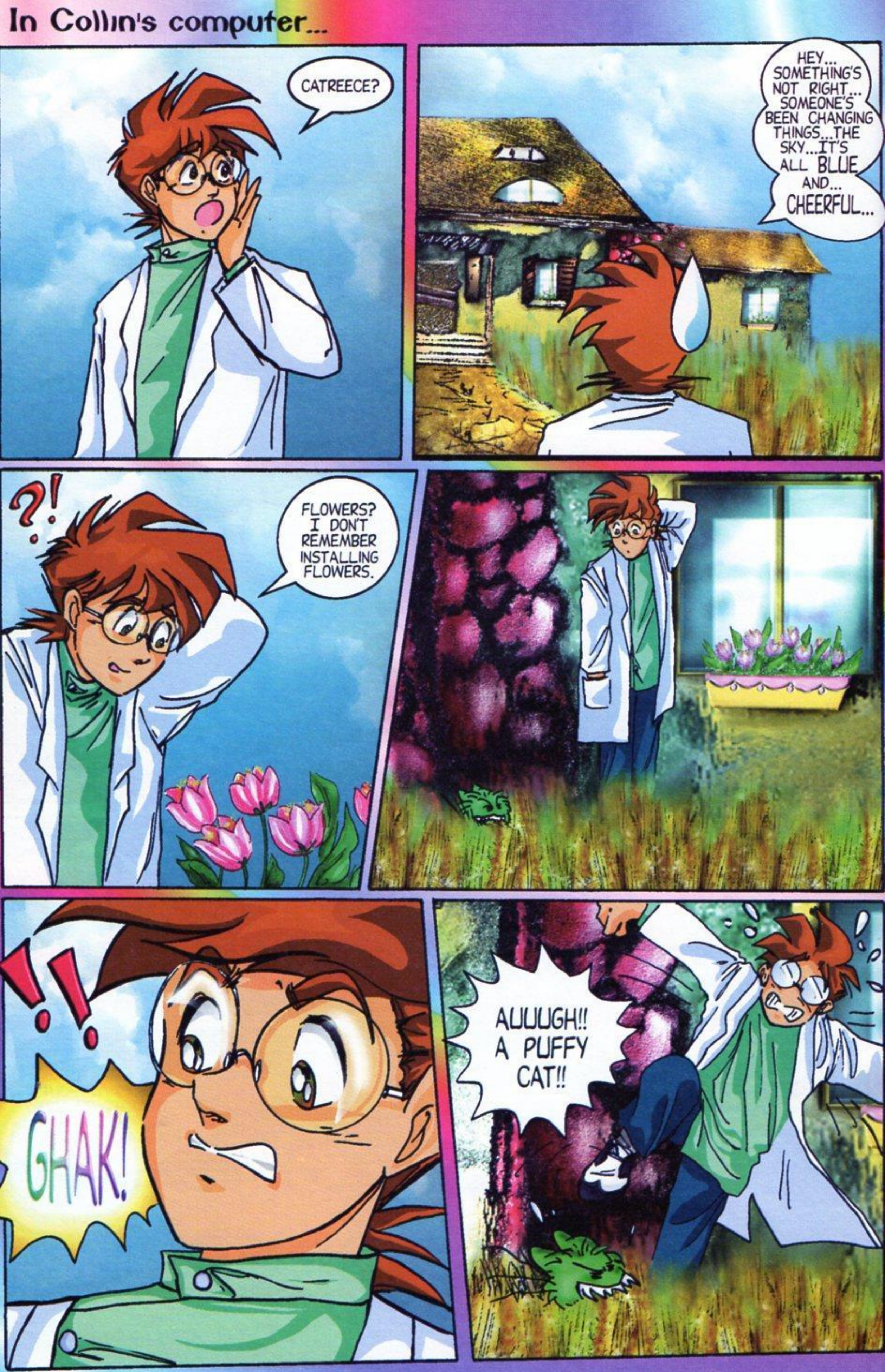




*Cyrano De Bergerac by Rostand! Well read little bugger, ain't he?

In Collin's computer...



CRASH
UM...NICE VIRUS...
OH, HI COLLIN! SORRY ABOUT THAT!
MUNCHA MUNCHA MUNCHA
?!!
ERK! WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH SHAM??? THAT THING'S DANGEROUS!
OH, DON'T WORRY ABOUT SHAM. I'M USING HIM TO MOW YOUR GRASS, AND THANKS TO THIS SPECIAL ENCRYPTED FLEA COLLAR LOOPY MADE FOR HIM, HE DOESN'T GET THE URGE TO EAT ANYTHING UNLESS YOU ASK HIM TOO.
MUNCHA MUNCHA MUNCHA
YOU KNOW, YOU SHOULD REALLY INCREASE YOUR COMPUTER'S MEMORY AND HARD DRIVE SPACE. SHAM'S GOT A SIMPLE PERSONALITY BUT HE'S ALMOST A TERABYTE! AND EVEN THOUGH THE BULK OF HIS BITS ARE LOCATED ON LOOPY'S HARD DRIVE I COULD BARELY SQUEEZE HIM THROUGH YOUR COMPUTER'S MEMORY. I THINK IT'S TIME FOR A NEW MACHINE, MY FRIEND.
WHAT DO YOU EXPECT? MY COMPUTER'S TWELVE YEARS OLD! IT WAS GIVEN TO ME BY MY BROTHER AFTER AFTER HE TRIED INCREASING HIS IQ ARTIFICALLY AND TOASTED HIS BRAIN ON "SMART" DRUGS. AND YOU KNOW MY DAD! HE'S MONDO EL CHEAPO WHEN IT COMES TO ANYTHING TECHIE. SO IT'S A FAT CHANCE I'LL GET A NEW ONE ANYTIME SOON.

SO SAD... WELL, DON'T WORRY. MAIKO AND I ARE HERE TO BRIGHTEN YOUR VIRTUAL LIFE. SEE, WE'VE BEEN FIXING UP YOUR REALM. IT WAS GETTING KINDA GLOOMY.

YOU MEAN YOU AND MAIKO HAVE BEEN IN MY COMPUTER ALL DAY AND YOU DIDN'T EVEN TELL ME?

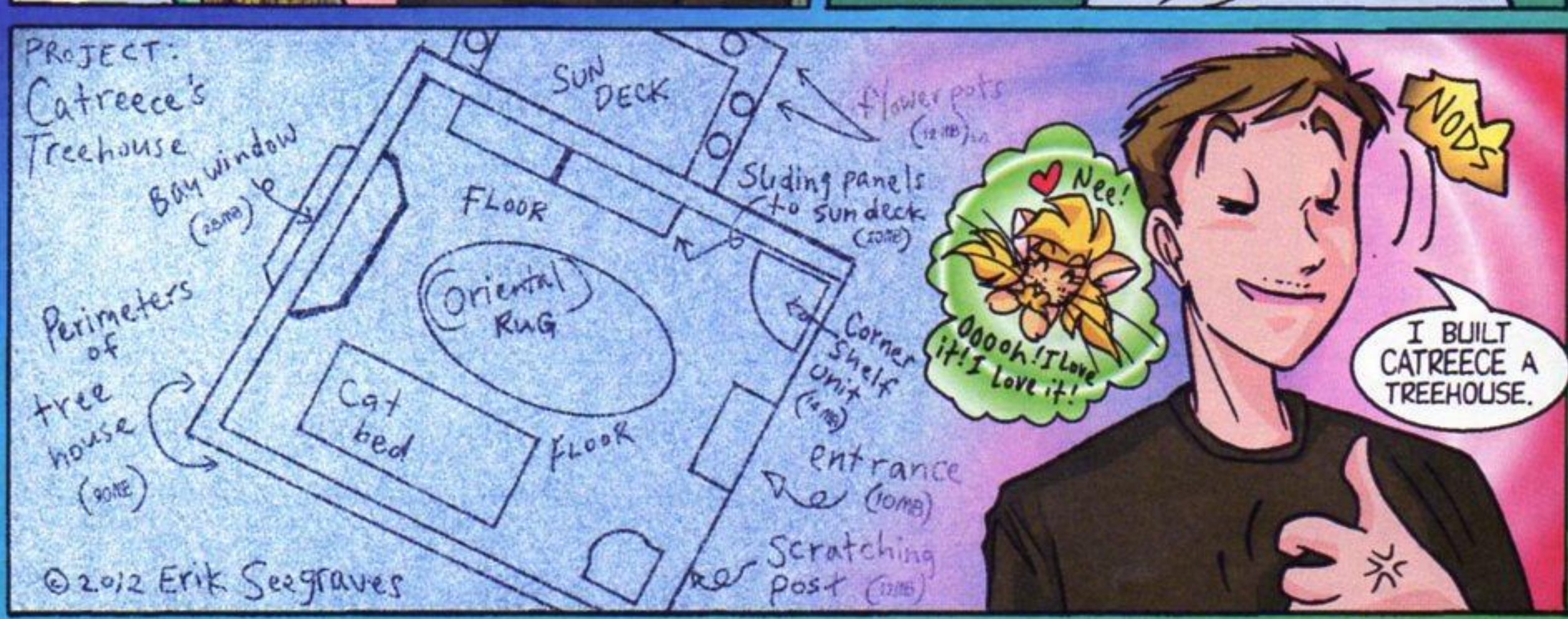
YEP! WHAT'S REALLY COOL IS THAT WE INSTALLED A NEW PROGRAM CALLED PATCHWORLD QUILT INTO YOUR COMPUTER THAT LINKS YOUR ONLINE REALM WITH LILI'S, MAIKO'S, AND MINE.

NOW MOVING BETWEEN OUR REALMS IS AS EASY AS WALKING DOWN THE STREET. OF COURSE YOURS IS THE WEAKEST LINK! BUT NOW YOU ONLY HAVE TO USE THE TRANSPORT BOOTH TO GET TO THE *REGULAR* VIS.

SEE, OVER THERE IS LILI'S REALM, *"LA LA LAND."*

OVER IN THE TREEHOUSE WITH CATREECE AND LILI.
SIGH...AND WHERE IS MAIKO?

TREEHOUSE? YOU BUILT ME A TREEHOUSE, TOO?
NO...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Bay window (20MB)
SUN DECK
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Sliding panels to sun deck (20MB)
FLOOR
Perimeters of tree house (90MB)
Oriental RUG
Cat bed
FLOOR
Corner shelf unit (4MB)
entrance (10MB)
Scratching post (12MB)
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Nee!
Oooh! I Love it! I Love it!
NODS
I BUILT CATREECE A TREEHOUSE.

WELL, IT'S PAST THREE O'CLOCK! I PROMISED I'D HELP MY DAD ROTATE THE TIRES ON THE HUMMER. HERE, WATCH SHAM FOR ME.
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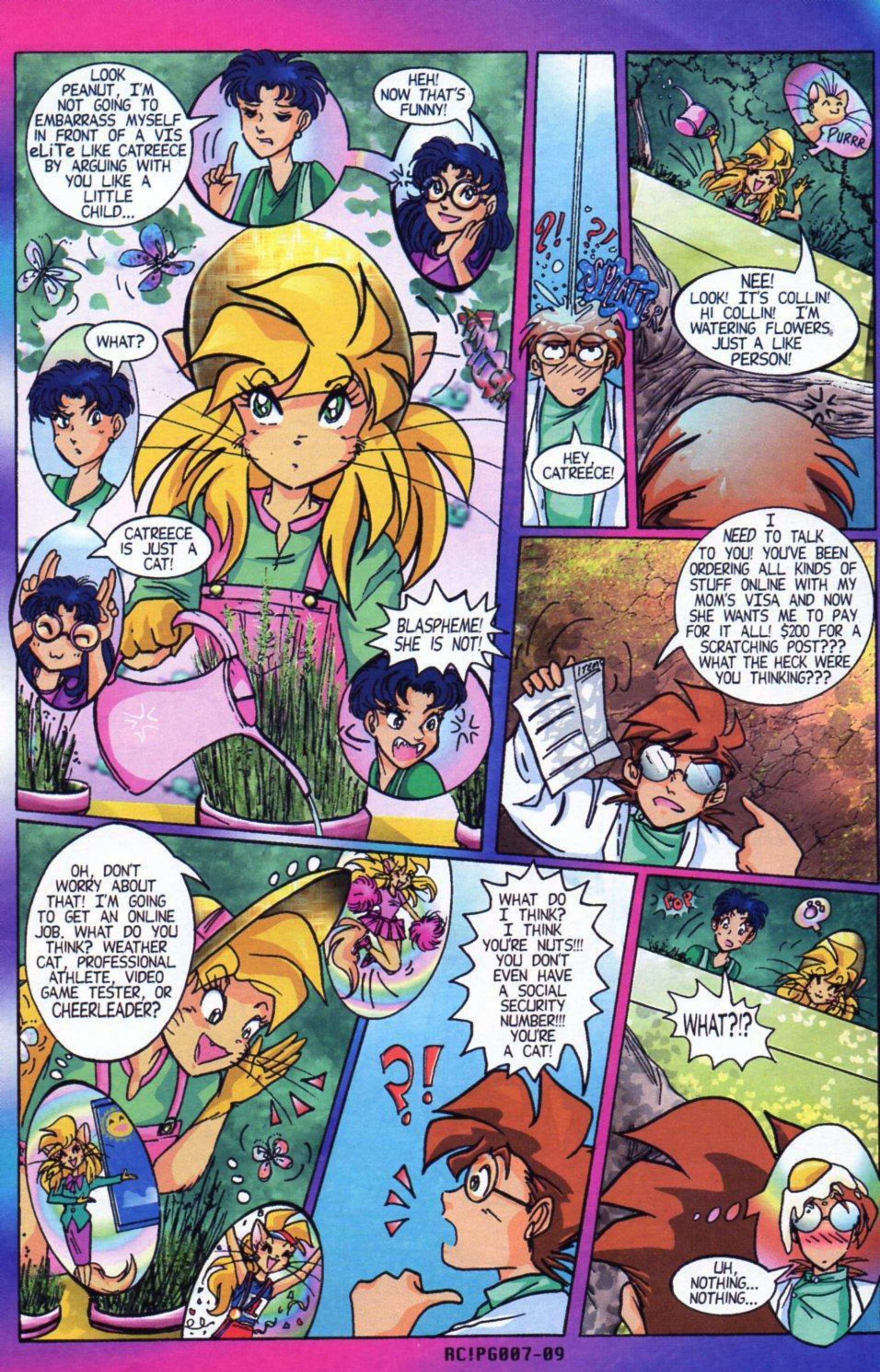
DING
SHAKE

UH...
?!
SEE YA!
....

CLANK CLANK CLANK
I'M SO BUSY.
LILI, WILL YOU PLEASE TAKE THOSE CANS OFF YOUR FEET?!? YOU'RE MAKING A RACKET!
NOPE!
SORRY, MAIKO! BUT YOU GOTTA LET ME DO WHAT I WANT FOR A WHOLE WEEK OR I WON'T HELP YOU FINISH PROGRAMING YOUR SUIT.
CLANK CLANK CLANK CLANK
OOOH... YOU'RE SUCH A ROTTEN LITTLE SISTER! I HATE IT WHEN YOU TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ME!
I KNOW!
UM...DO YOU THINK YOU COULD HELP ME FINISH IT TODAY?
HEH...
MAAAAYBE!
OOOOOOOHH!!!


LOOK PEANUT, I'M NOT GOING TO EMBARRASS MYSELF IN FRONT OF A VIS eLiTe LIKE CATREECE BY ARGUING WITH YOU LIKE A LITTLE CHILD...
HEH! NOW THAT'S FUNNY!
WHAT?
CATREECE IS JUST A CAT!
BLASPHEME! SHE IS NOT!
?!
SPLATTER!
HEY, CATREECE!
PURRR
NEE! LOOK! IT'S COLLIN! HI COLLIN! I'M WATERING FLOWERS, JUST A LIKE PERSON!
I NEED TO TALK TO YOU! YOU'VE BEEN ORDERING ALL KINDS OF STUFF ONLINE WITH MY MOM'S VISA AND NOW SHE WANTS ME TO PAY FOR IT ALL! $200 FOR A SCRATCHING POST??? WHAT THE HECK WERE YOU THINKING???
OH, DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT! I'M GOING TO GET AN ONLINE JOB. WHAT DO YOU THINK? WEATHER CAT, PROFESSIONAL ATHLETE, VIDEO GAME TESTER, OR CHEERLEADER?
WHAT DO I THINK? I THINK YOU'RE NUTS!!! YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER!!! YOU'RE A CAT!
?!
POP
WHAT?!?
UH, NOTHING... NOTHING...

CAN YOU JUST COME DOWN HERE PLEASE?
OKAY! CATCH ME!!
?!
NO, WAIT!!
NEEEEE!!!
NEE!!
NYA!!
WOW! I ACTUALLY CAUGHT YOU!

NEE???

?!

HUH??

OH, MY GOSH! IT LOOKS LIKE REALITY COL-LAPSED BENEATH THEM! COLLIN'S COMPUTER MUST BE SEVERELY FRAGMENTED TO CREATE DROP-OUT POINTS THAT BIG! WHAT DO WE DO?

WHAT DO YOU THINK? WE TRANSFORM AND HELP THEM!

REALLY? I GET TO TRY OUT MY NEW COSTUME? BUT IS IT READY?

PROBABLY NOT, BUT THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO WORK OUT THE BUGS.

SNAP!

HOOP! POWER UP, LOOPY!

LA LA
LA LA
LOOPY!!!
YOUR TURN, MAIKO!!! GO! GO! GO!
BATON! POWER UP, LADY BATON!
WOOHOOO! IT WORKED!

Meanwhile...

WHAT HAPPENED?
I THINK WE FELL DOWN A RABBIT HOLE.
RABBIT HOLE? THERE'RE NO RABBITS ONLINE!
THEN WHAT'S THAT?
HUH?!
MOOP
0000 OHHH... HE IS SOOOOOO CUUUTE!!! CAN I KEEP HIM, COLLIN? NEE? CAN I?
HE'S EVEN GOT A SCOOTIE CAR!!
AND LOOK!
?!
HUMMM
NOW WHAT?
SIGH

FLLOOOOOOORRRRP!!!

OKAY, EVERYTHING'S GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT NOW! LOOPY AND HER SIDEKICK, LADY BATON ARE HERE TO SAVE YOU!

UM.. YEAH!

HEY... THIS ALMOST LOOKS LIKE A RABBIT HOLE...

Moop, moop, hoody.

IT IS! SEE? THIS IS A RABBIT. HE'S GOT A SCOOTIE CAR, TOO.

OOOHHH!! HE'S SOOO CUUUTE!!

HEY, GET YER PAWS OFF HIM! HE MIGHT BE A VIRUS! LET LOOPY ANALYZE HIM FIRST!

NEEK!

FTT!

THANK YOU, COLLIN. IT'S NICE TO SEE SOMEONE AROUND HERE USES COMMON SENSE.

OKAY, LET'S SEE...AND MY PORT-O'-DOOM HOOP READS... HEY GUESS WHAT? HE'S A TRADEMARK OF RANKLERAT PRODUCTIONS, THE SAME GUYS WHO MADE RANKLECHICK.

Moop. uh, huh.

WELL... IS HE OPERATED BY AN AIC*?

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<<character: riggi rabbit>>

remote path

I DON'T THINK SO... HIS NAME IS RIGGI RABBIT. HE ESCAPED FROM A GAME! HIS IQ SIM IS SO BIG HE'S HAD TO SPLIT THE LENGTH OF HIS PROGRAM UP BETWEEN LOTS OF COM-PUTERS.

HEEEY... I BET I KNOW WHAT HE'S UP TO!

BATON, GIVE ME MY KEYBOARD.

Quilt threading enhanced at 17 points...

<<Searching...

JUST WHAT I THOUGHT. HE'S LIKE A LITTLE INTERNET GNOME. SINCE HE LIVES ON THE VIS, HE'S MAKING SURE THAT ALL OF OUR COMPUTERS ARE RUNNING EFFICIENTLY.

Moop?

LOOK, EACH OF OUR COMPUTERS ON THE PATCHWORLD QUILT LINK ARE NOW RUNNING AT 100%. THIS TUNNEL HE'S DIGGING TAKES UP ABOUT 13 MEGABYTES ON EACH OF OUR MACHINES BUT IT'S ALSO SERVING AS A MUCH BETTER BRIDGE BETWEEN THEM. HE'S A PRETTY COOL PROGRAM!

NEE?

AIC: Artificially Intelligent Computer.

UH-
POOF
THAT'S MEAN! HE IS NOT A PROGRAM! HE'S A PERSON JUST LIKE YOU AND ME!
SWATCH!
OH, GIVE ME A BREAK! HE IS TOO A PROGRAM! IN FACT THE LARGEST PART OF HIS CONSCIOUSNESS IS CURRENTLY RESIDING IN THE MAINFRAME AT THE THREE MILE ISLAND NUCLEAR POWER PLANT! SHEESH!
hoo hoo hoody.
At the Three Mile Island Nuclear Power Plant...
HEY, MANAGEMENT JUST CALLED. THEY SAID TO TAKE THE MAINFRAME OFF THE VIS FOR A WHILE. THEY WANT TO DO A QUICK FIREWALL TEST.
AW...AND I WAS JUST GOING TO DOWNLOAD SOME PICTURES FROM A NEW BIKINI SITE!
SORRY!
Moop!
Sleepy...
FITTNEEEE!!!! YOU BROKE HIM!
?!
I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING! I SWEAR!

WHAT THE...?

VROOM!!!

LOOK OUT! THE SCOOTIE CAR'S ON THE MOVE!

TING

IT MUST HAVE LOST CONTROL WHEN THE RABBIT PASSED OUT!

TING

SMASH!!

I'LL STOP IT!! HYYA!

WOW, MAIKO! YOU'RE ALL TOUGH AND STUFF!

CLAP CLAP

THAT'S LADY BATON, AND YES, I AM MIGHTY, AREN'T I?

TING

I'M GONNA BARF.

BOP

EEK!!

TIME TO GO! HOOP, MULTIPLE TRANSPORT FOR FIVE PEOPLE, 30 FEET STRAIGHT UP!

JING

OL' GENIUS MAIKO, WEAKENED THE TUNNEL! MOVE IT, MOVE IT! COME ON!

JING

JING

JING

JING

CERK

OH HOOP!

FOOM

PERFECT LANDING 10 PTS

THUD

RUMBLE

OKAY, I SHOULD HAVE SAID 20 FEET!

NOW WHAT?

HEY! MY SIM HOUSE IS SINKING!
CRUMBLE!!!
NEEWOW! KIND OF AN IMPROVE-MENT, DON'T YOU THINK?
LOOK OUT! IT'S BACK!
LET ME TAKE CARE OF IT!
BATON ACTIVATE: BATTLE BUBBLE FEVER FORCE FIELD!
ZWAP!!
"BATTLE FEVER"... THAT LINE HAS GOT TO GO! TALK ABOUT STINKY! PEE-EEEEWW!

BUT...WHAT ABOUT MY SIM HOUSE? IT'LL TAKE ME FOREVER TO RELOAD ALL THE PARTS.

DON'T WORRY. I HAVE A PLAN.

Much later...

VISIT THE FABULOUS MEEKS TREE MANSION!

SPOOKY UNDERGROUND TUNNEL TOUR $3.00
SCOOTIE CAR RIDES $5.00

AND ONCE WE GET THE TOURISTS IN, I'LL HAVE THAT SCRATCHING POST PAID OFF IN NO TIME! NEE!

WELL, WITH THAT YUCKY OLD HOUSE OUT OF THE WAY, IT SURE AS EASY TO EXPAND THE SIZE OF THE TREE AND LOAD IN A BIGGER MANSION ON TOP.

YEAH, THANKS FOR CONSULTING ME ON ALL THIS.

OH, QUIT YER CRYIN'! IT'S A NICE MANSION! AND BESIDES, IF YOU'D THOUGHT TO USE YOUR BOO-ZEN SHOE PROGRAM TO COUNTER THE SCOOTIE ATTACK, WE COULD HAVE AVOIDED ALL THE MESS! SO, IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT!

UM... CATREECE, WHY DO YOU NEED A SCRATCHING POST?

NYA!

WHEN'S THE RABBIT GOING TO WAKE UP?

I DON'T KNOW. STICK HIS HAND IN WATER OR SOMETHING.

Moop.

OH, THERE HE GOES.

Kitty Letters

NEXT ISSUE: ISSUE#8, CATREECE MEETS MIMI!!! SHE DIDN'T MEAN TO SET OFF THE NUKES! HONEST!

HELLO! OKAY, THIS TIME AROUND FOR KITTY LETTERS, WE'LL START OFF BY GIVING YOU ALL SOME CONVENTION INFORMATION, JUST IN CASE YOU EVER FEEL THE NEED TO SEE US IN PERSON (PLEASE DON'T BRING WEAPONS). AS OF THIS TIME, MARCH OF 1997, WE'RE ONLY PLANNING ON GOING TO TWO CONVENTIONS WITHIN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS. BOTH ARE IN CALIFORNIA. SORRY, WE JUST DON'T MAKE ENOUGH MONEY YET TO BE ABLE TO AFFORD OUT OF STATE TRAVEL. HOPEFULLY THAT'LL CHANGE SOMEDAY! ANYWAYS, THOSE TWO CONVENTIONS ARE, ANIME EXPO AND COMIC-CON INTERNATIONAL. HERE'S THE INFO:

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HEY INTERNET GEEKS! IF YOU HAVE AN AMERICA ONLINE ACCOUNT (YES, YES, I KNOW, BOO-HISS, WHATEVER!) YOU CAN READ SOME OF THE MESSAGES WE POST IN OUR REALITY CHECK! FOLDER. JUST GO TO "KEYWORD" AND TYPE IN "COMICS", THEN CLICK ON "COMIC BOOK FORUM", NEXT CLICK ON "MESSAGE BOARDS", THEN (TIRED YET?) CLICK ON "GENERAL INTEREST COMICS BOARD" AND SCROLL DOWN UNTIL YOUR SEE OUR FOLDER CALLED "SIH: REALITY CHECK!"

HMMM, WHAT ELSE? OH! PEOPLE ARE ALWAYS WRITING AND ASKING IF WE HAVE A CAT. SADLY, NO. I'M HORRIBLY ALLERGIC TO CATS. I LOVE 'EM, BUT I CAN'T BREATHE AROUND THEM. WE DO, HOWEVER, HAVE A LITTLE ALBINO DWARF BUNNY NAMED CHIBI WHO LIVES WITH US. IT'S PROBABLY NOT THE BEST IDEA IN THE WORLD FOR TWO ARTISTS TO LIVE WITH A PAPER MUNCHING, COMPUTER CABLE DEVOURING BUNNY, BUT HEY, WHAT CAN WE DO? SHE'S SOOOO CUUUTE!!!

LONG AGO, WHEN WE USED TO LIVE IN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY WITH TAVI'S MOM, WE HAD A LITTLE PART TABBY & SIAMESE CAT NAMED MI-CHAN OR "MIMI". SHE LIVED IN A SEPARATE ROOM THAN US, WHICH HELPED MY ALLERGIES A WHOLE LOT! NEVER-THE-LESS WE LOVED MIMI AND WERE SADDENED WHEN SHE PASSED AWAY LAST APRIL OF '96. BUT SHE'S NOT FORGOTTEN AS WE'VE GONE AND CREATED A NEW CHARACTER AFTER HER! BUT THAT'S IN ISSUE #8... OKAY? OKAY.

Oh! Before I forget! I just thought I'd also mention that Tavisha has decided to sell a large portion of her original RC! pages. These are the pre-computer rendered original black & white pages as drawn by Tavi with a sumi-style brush pen on 17x14 inch bristol board. Prices range between $60 to $100 each, and we determine that price by the amount of work and emotional attachment we have for individual pages. If you're curious if the page you're interested in is available or not, just write or email us at the Tavicat address listed in the inside front cover of this book.

HIYA.
MEOW MEOW MEOW. I REALLY LIKE THE COMIC NOT JUST THE ART AND STORY BUT THE CONCEPT. I SAW CAT AND COMPUTER AND HAD TO GET IT. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT CATREECE IS DOING HER PART FOR THE F.A.L.L. (FELINES AGAINST LITERACY LEAGUE). LIKE ALL GOOD CATS SHOULD. MY OWN CAT LIKES TO GET ON MY LAP THEN ONTO THE KEYBOARD WHEN I AM TYPING FOR MORE THEN 5 MIN. AND YES, HE STILL SITS ON MY BOOKS WHEN I AM STUDYING. THANKS A LOT FOR THE COMIC IT HELPS ME TO LAUGH AND PUT OFF MY TERM PAPERS. ;)
MORE PUFFY CATS!!
LIONESS (AKA JESSEMAY)
VIA THE INTERNET
P.S. WHEN ARE WE GOING TO MEET ERK'S CAT? OR ARE WE? (ROW?

P.p.s. Sorry the letter is so short it is my first time writing in to a comic, meow *wave* By the way I love the backgrounds.

Erk's cats! That's right, he's got 6 of 'em! Well...Hmmm...I'll say, issue #10. How's that? I was going to insert a small step-by-step section in the back of this book, showing how we make some of our backgrounds. Ran out of room. Next issue perhaps!

Greetings!
Meet the Neighbors Family: Don (myself), Terri and Amelia (our 5-year-old), not to mention the six cats and three dogs who REALLY run things around here. We discovered "Reality Check!" at a local comic book/anime shop dangerously close to where I work. It was bad enough that we depleted his supply of "Ranma 1/2" videos, but we had to find "Reality Check!"

We love it!! I confess I'm actually very glad we don't have a virtual reality game of any kind, since I'm certain at least one of the cats would be tempted to try it out. Goodness knows what they would do if they ran into Catreece! Choo Choo is a furry black tomcat, so I KNOW I don't want him getting into a VR game!! We just finished #5, but I realized that we somehow missed #4, although my wife swears that #4 is around here someplace. I appreciate the fact that you are producing a (should I get used to saying "manga", instead of "comic book"?) comic book that the whole bunch of us can enjoy. I admit I appreciate a nubile, although somewhat furry, maiden that isn't bent on the death of anything other than small rodents or big bugs. I also like to be able to sit down in my chair with my daughter in my lap and read one of them to her.

By all means, keep up the good work! "Reality Check!" is one of the most imaginative and fun comics I've had the pleasure of reading since I used to read "Sugar and Spike" at the drugstore down the street when I was a kid. Okay, I know that dates me, but I still like this stuff.
Live long and prosper!
Don Neighbors

Hellllooooo Neighbors family!!! And a special wave to Amelia! You can say manga or comic. We're not picky. It's true that Tavisha is influenced by many Japanese artists, but since manga is just the japanese word for comics, it's perfectly fine to call Reality Check! a comic. Um...What's Sugar and Spike?

Top: Rikki tries to buy a new car but his hair won't fit (and it doesn't come with automatic transmission...). Bottom: Tavi tries to buy a new pet but Rikki says, "Wait 'til we get a bigger apartment."

Hello again,
I know you guys are busy so I won't chat you up too much. I'll just briefly say that I have really been enjoying your comic and that I want to thank you for having a cute, adorable, female character. I have grown so weary of all the smutty, high heeled, silicon endowed, biker chick, super heroines out there. Unless the two of you get hit on the head or possessed by demons, I can count on you to offer some good, clean fun that's just a little bit sexy in places, but never inappropriate. Good work!
BTW, Tavisha, your character design for Maiko is downright cute lately. She's coming

into her own. I like the developments in both her outward appearance and her character.
Lastly, I regret to say that my comic shop never ordered Reality Check! #3. So I have a gaping whole in my collection, and that's the issue where Rosearik lays down the skinny on how you guys bring RC! to life. A must have, IMO. Do you happen to have a copy that I could get from you? Please let me know. I can't find it anywhere locally.
Well, that's it for now. (Except I'd like to add that I wear my Catreece pin with pride :)
Douglas Cootey
Via the Internet

Hello, Mr. Cootey-man! The easiest place to find Reality Check! back issues is through Cosmic Therapy, you can reach them at 201-347-6634. They should always have back issues of Reality Check in stock because they're run by the same guys who run Sirius. And they do take Visa and Mastercard! Tavi and I try to save the stock we have on hand here at the studio mostly for conventions, primarily because we don't have much left. But try Cosmic Therapy. They're really nice people, and they'll make it their business to help you.

You get the feeling that "Chibi" (Tiny, Baby) is a popular word with Japanese Animation fans? This pic was sent Via an America Online user by the Name of Chibi Saru. Heh...

Konnichi wa, Tavi to Rosearik! Ogenkidesu ka? Lemme just tell you that Reality Check! is one of if not THE most *kawaii* manga in existence! And Catreece is right about cats ruling the world--everything I know as an amateur comic artist I learned from cats! Uhm... I'd like to tell you a kitty story, but I don't have a kitty (our dorms won't allow any pets except fish and rocks) and I can't think of any really good stories about my friend's cats (although they are so stinkin' CUTE sometimes!). I also noticed your fave Sailor Senshi is Chibi Usa. Funny, I would have thought Chibi Chibi was. (Loopy sure looks like a Chibi Chibi in a harlequin suit to me!) Personally, I like Saturn, but that's mostly because I used to look like her, I guess. Then I grew up and dyed my hair red. Oh, well. I also prefer other things like Usagi Yojimbo and Sonic the Hedgehog (and Reality Check!, of course!) over Sailor Moon because...Well....I like furries better than people!! I hear the US Sailor Moon is coming back in June, tho, so check your listings! Well, congrats on a terrific comic. I recommend it to all my friends who can't loosen up about other "darker" comics they read (and some of them have picked up on it, too!). I would send along a mouse-drawn...Er, computer-drawn pic for you, but I haven't finished it yet. (Sumimasen! ^ ^o...)
Keep up the coolness,
Julie "Hisuterii" Miyamoto

SAILOR MOON's COMING BACK IN JUNE??? WoooHooo!!! We're buying blank tapes as we speak!!!

Hello to Rikki, Tavi, and Catreece of course...
Well, my sister and I JUST finished reading RC! #5 (after much kicking and biting to see WHO would read it first). We both decided it was time to write you all a letter telling you how much we LOVE Reality Check!!!! We've been putting it off for months and months-- ever since we got the first issue (NO THANKS to our friendly San Francisco comic shop--=P to Cards and Comics!) Ha! We've probably gone in there about 20 times in the past few months asking "Did you get the next issue of Reality Check yet? We even got our friends to go in and ask for it, finally the guy got so angry about us nagging him that he just yelled "FINE! I'LL ORDER YOUR COMIC!" Heh-- of course, he hasn't done it yet, the troll. So, to come to the point of my little story, we just want to say THANK YOU to Tavi and Rikki for personally showing us where to find RC! since there seems to be a shortage of intelligent comic book stores in our area! And we need our monthly dosage!
We love that kitty innocence that Catreece has. She's SO cute and funny and you never know what to expect from her. In a way, she reminds us a lot of our own kitty, Einstein. (You smell a kitty story coming? I do. =P) We call her Einy now, since we found out it was a girl AFTER we named her. I have to say that she's the funniest--and like Catreece--most UNPREDICTABLE cat we've ever had!

Her appetite for one is very strange-- we try and feed her healthy cat food, but she won't have that! No way! Her favorite foods consist of Sun Chips (I caught her with her head in a bag of Sun Chips once--she ate half of them!), spicy Cheeze-Its, Zesty french fries, and best of all the frosting off of Christmas Cookies--yeck! That can't be healthy...But she LOVES it!
Another thing she loves are her toy mice. We'd get her little toy mice with bells around their necks.. She loves to take them in her mouth, go outside to the upstairs window (which we always keep open for her) and she stands on the slanted roof and drops the mice, watches them roll down the roof and fall down onto the deck or steps below. Then she goes down and gets them and bring them back up and does it again and again! Once one of those mice got stuck in the roof gutter and was she so unhappy! Heh! She made such a fuss that Dad had to go up on the roof and get it out for her. (Wow! We really are slaves to our cats!)
Thanks again and I'm REALLY looking forward to RC! #6!!! STOP THE PUFFY CATS!
Cya!
RayaMars and Klutzoid.
Via America Online

You two again?!? Oh, uh...Thanks Raya and Klutz for the nice picture of Catreece frying Sailor Mars with her special kitty powers! It's way cute! French fries and Cheeze-Its? Now that's the LIFE! If I was a cat, that's the way I'd go, fer sure!
I'm sorry, so many of you seem to be having trouble finding Reality Check! All I can say is that we make them, our publisher publishes them, and all the distributors distribute them. What's left is the retailers. No retailer should tell you that they can't get our comic. They can. Many just don't because it's too much a bother even after a customer's made a request. Shame on them! What happened to customer service?
Anyways...So, your cat's really FAT, right? Doo Dee Doo Dee Doo...

Nibble Panic rabbit & his amazing scootie car?! uh, ok sounds weird, the nibble panic rabbit and his scootie car. odd, yet strangely lovable. can't wait for that issue. anyhow, wanted to tell you what a great comic RC is-it's nice to see a light-hearted, funny comic since i usually read dark, sarcastic comics.
Catreece is cute (does she have a boyfriend-my cat Dexter would be perfect for her...) Collin reminds me of myself-always holed up in my room cause my family's hopeless. Make sure you give him a girlfriend soon, 'kay? He needs someone (I hope catreece doesn't get jealous). Ok, now time for a stupid cat story...
I have two cats-Dexter The Psychohyper Cat and Zooropa, King of all That is Catness. So, anyway, I like to think that the latter is smarter, although I think twice now.
I'm in my room and Zooropa comes sauntering in. He stays for a few minutes then decides i'm not cool enough for him, so he leaves. An hour passes and no one has seen him. so it's my job to go looking for the swank cat that is Zooropa. A half hour goes by, still no sign of him. Then I hear a faint meowing, like as if it's coming through a wall or something. Great. So now we all think he's trapped in the wall or outside the house. Of course it's my job to go outside and sprinkle cat food while yelling "Zooropa, come home!" Yeah, my neighbors don't think i'm crazy...About 10 minutes of this and I go inside to take a break. I sit at the table in the kitchen and i still can hear him crying. I look at the refrigerator. I get up and open it and a big black and grey thing comes flyin' at my face! Would you believe it-it's Zooropa, super suave cat who was stuck in the freezer for, like, almost an hour. Eventually, he thawed out., but he still won't go near the fridge, even if there's a nice, juicy steak in it. cats are great, but they sure are weird...
Well, gotta go. Keep up the good work.
Nya! Yvonne Esposito, supreme cat lover and mistress of crosshatching
Via the Internet

I'm speechless. See you in 30 days!
Rosaearik Rikki
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RC! DICTIONARY!

*AICware: Software written and/or used by an Artificially Intelligent Computer.
*eLiTe: A super hacker.
*Run-A-Muck: An online virtual Realm, located on the VIS and accessible to the public via a TVR helmet.
*TVR: True Virtual Reality
*VIS: Virtual Internet System

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